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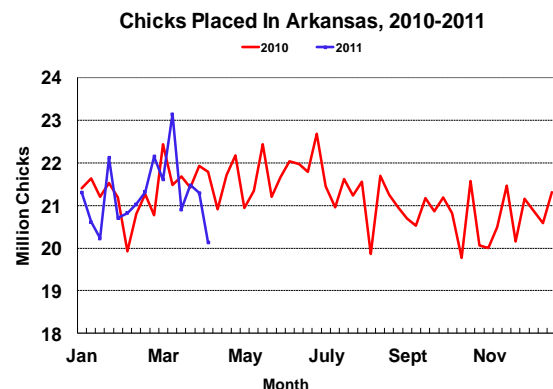
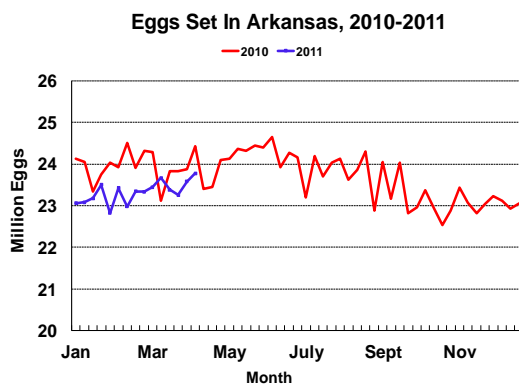


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### Arkansas Chick Placements Down 8 Percent from Last Year

Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Arkansas were 20.1 million during the week ending April 9, 2011. Placements were down 8 percent from the comparable week in 2010 and down 5 percent from the previous week.

Arkansas hatcheries set 23.8 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending April 9, 2011, down 3 percent from the same period last year but up 1 percent from the previous week.



Broiler Eggs Set and Chicks Placed in 19 Major States by Week, March 12, 2011 - April 9, 2011

State	Eggs Set					Chicks Placed				
	Week Ending					Week Ending				
	12-Mar	19-Mar	26-Mar	2-Apr	9-Apr	12-Mar	19-Mar	26-Mar	2-Apr	9-Apr
Alabama	29,908	30,208	31,125	30,578	30,544	21,441	20,592	21,440	20,827	21,456
<b>Arkansas</b>	<b>23,670</b>	<b>23,384</b>	<b>23,253</b>	<b>23,580</b>	<b>23,776</b>	<b>23,147</b>	<b>20,908</b>	<b>21,478</b>	<b>21,296</b>	<b>20,131</b>
Delaware	3,810	3,888	3,882	3,892	3,858	4,624	4,626	4,824	5,245	4,325
Florida	1,360	1,360	1,360	1,360	1,360	1,290	1,249	1,270	1,296	1,243
Georgia	33,291	33,153	32,819	33,876	33,408	28,770	28,305	27,603	28,221	27,871
Kentucky	7,721	7,751	7,861	7,848	7,817	6,695	6,475	6,766	5,746	6,194
Louisiana	3,409	3,440	3,471	3,288	3,440	2,997	3,036	3,227	3,028	3,005
Maryland	7,677	7,654	7,741	7,730	7,747	6,226	6,533	6,041	5,547	6,226
Mississippi	18,991	19,428	18,722	18,583	19,413	16,276	16,477	16,528	16,564	16,967
N. Carolina	19,790	20,494	20,276	19,995	20,495	16,277	15,819	15,782	15,474	16,620
Oklahoma	7,432	7,270	7,268	7,006	7,310	2,559	4,131	4,837	5,206	5,531
Pennsylvania	3,984	3,914	3,697	3,546	3,503	3,028	3,032	3,206	3,229	3,143
S. Carolina	5,660	5,439	5,746	5,613	5,575	4,010	4,010	4,916	4,991	4,375
Texas	15,347	15,202	15,012	15,526	15,564	12,343	12,989	13,152	13,004	12,923
Virginia	6,513	6,318	6,590	6,593	6,315	4,705	4,966	5,402	5,439	5,316
CA,MO,TN & WV	19,352	19,653	19,734	18,637	19,062	16,021	17,441	17,373	17,727	17,214
19 State Total	207,915	208,556	208,557	207,651	209,187	170,409	170,589	173,845	172,840	172,540
Prev. Year Total	205,506	207,381	205,353	204,597	208,937	170,165	169,930	169,163	168,526	172,501
% of Prev. Year	101	101	102	101	100	100	100	103	103	100

Revisions made to the previous five-week's data during the current week are published in this report.

### Broiler-Type Eggs Set Up Slightly

Commercial hatcheries in the 19 State weekly program set 209 million eggs in incubators during the week ending April 9, 2011. This was up slightly from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 84 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

### Broiler-Type Chicks Placed Up Slightly

Broiler growers in the 19 State weekly program placed 173 million chicks for meat production during the week ending April 9, 2011. Placements were up slightly from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from January 2, 2011 through April 9, 2011 were 2.37 billion, up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.